GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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School Child Health Programme
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

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(a) whether the Government is implementing School Child Health Programme;

(b) if so, the details and status thereof, State/UT-wise including Kerala;

(c) the details of funds allocated and utilised during last three years by the States/ UTs including Kerala;

(d) whether the Government has made any assessment about the achievements of the said programme, if so, the details thereof along with the outcome thereon; and

(e) whether the Government proposes to decrease allocation of funds for the said programme, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

Answer

ANSWER
THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND
FAMILY WELFARE
(SHRI FAGGAN SINGH KULASTE)
(a) to (d): Yes. Under National Health Mission, the Government of India is implementing Rashtriya Bal Swasthya Karyakram (RBSK) for screening of all the children from 0-18 years of age including school children for 4 D"s i.e. defects, Deficiencies, Diseases, and Development delays including disability. The School Health Programme is subsumed under Rashtriya Bal Swasthaya Karyakram.

Under Rashtriya Bal Swasthaya Karyakram, the children in the age group of birth till 6 years are screened twice a year at anganwadi centres and children of 6 years to 18 years enrolled in Government and Government aided schools are screened once a year by dedicated Mobile Block Health Teams consisting of two AYUSH doctors (one male and one female), one ANM and one pharmacist. It is proposed to cover 27 crores children in a phased manner. Children identified with these conditions are provided free treatment including surgery. At present 32 States/UTs of the country are implementing this initiative.

As reported by State/UT, financial progress and Physical achievement for RBSK programme for last three years is placed at annexure A & B

(e): The funds are allocated to States/UTs based on the State/UT's proposal for carrying out specific activities.